

NEWS RELEASE

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Incident: Narcotics Sales Arrest while in possession of a firearm

Location: 2000 block Harbor Blvd.

Date/Time Occurred: 07-18-22 / 1743

Officer(s) Involved: Ventura Police K9 and Patrol

<u>Suspect #1:</u> Lawson Williams 07/22/78 (Ventura Resident) <u>Suspect #2:</u> Megan Schaffer 01/13/93 (Ventura Resident)

Report #: 22-46329

Narrative:

On July 18th, 2022, members of the Ventura Police Department Patrol and K9 units responded to a call of possible narcotics activity in the Marriott hotel parking lot.

During the subsequent investigation, officers with the assistance of their K9 partners recovered Fentanyl, Methamphetamines, and alprazolam. They also found evidence of narcotics sales and a loaded firearm inside Lawson's vehicle.

As a result of the investigation, Williams was arrested for possession of narcotics for sales and possession of a controlled substance while armed.

Megan Schaffer was arrested for possession of narcotics and outstanding warrants.

A search of the Ventura County Superior Court shows that both Lawson Williams and Megan Schaffer have prior arrests for narcotics violations.

The complete press release, including suspect description, can be viewed online at www.venturapd.org

If you have any information about this crime, you can make an anonymous call to Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS.

If your information leads to an arrest, you could receive a cash reward of up to \$1,000.